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Sir:

Prior to an examination on the merits, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the Specification, without prejudice or disclaimer, as indicated below (A redlined version of the amended portions of the specification accompany the present Amendment):

Please delete the paragraph at page 1, line 5 to line 12 and substitute therefor the following paragraph:

 This application is a continuation in part of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/501,643, entitled "Flow Cytometry for High Throughput Screening," filed February 10, 2000, which claims benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/156,946, entitled "Flow Cytometry Real-Time Analysis of Molecular Interactions," filed September 30, 1999. This application also claims benefit of U.S. Provisional Patent Application No. 60/330,624, entitled "In-Line Microfluidic Mixers for High Throughput Flow Cytometry," filed on October 26, 2001. The entire contents and disclosure of the above applications are hereby incorporated by reference.